

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: )  
Huy D. Phan, et al ) Group Art Unit: 3739  
Serial No.: 10/660,820 ) Confirmation No. : 7044  
Filed: September 12, 2003 ) Examiner: Vrettakos, Peter J.  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE (RCE)**

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Dear Sir:

This letter is being filed with an accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and is in response to the Office Action, dated April 4, 2006. Please amend the application as follows:

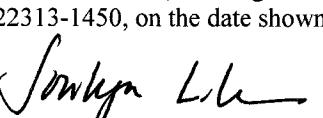
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